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Students strolling past the Victor Valley College lake earlier this week expected the usual scene—ducks, turtles, and the occasional dropped water bottle—but instead were met with flashing lights, yellow caution tape, and whispers of something far stranger beneath the surface.

According to witnesses, an unidentified lake creature was discovered in the water after several students reported “unusual movement” near the center of the lake. Within minutes, VVC Campus Police cordoned off the surrounding area, restricting access as Maintenance & Operations staff suited up and entered the water to remove the creature.

“I thought it was just a really big fish at first,” said Reben Thompson, a kinesiology major who was studying nearby. “But then it moved sideways—and fish don’t do that. That’s when everyone started

backing up.”

Several students captured blurry photos and short videos before campus police asked onlookers to step away.

“It had, like... a shell? Or maybe scales? I honestly don’t know,” said ASB student Maurice Williams, a first-year student. “All I know is it was bigger than a duck and smaller than a car, and that feels like a category we shouldn’t have on campus.”

Campus Police arrived within minutes and quickly established a perimeter while Maintenance & Operations staff assessed the situation.

“Our priority was safety,” said one student observer who watched from behind the barricade. “Once they got in the water and straight up grabbed it, that’s when I knew this was serious.”

Maintenance & Operations personnel

were seen carefully entering the lake wearing protective gear, working together to secure the creature and guide it toward the shoreline. After several tense minutes, the unidentified organism was lifted from the water and placed under a black tarp before being transported offsite.

“I’ve worked here three years and I’ve never seen anything like that come out of the lake,” said Matt Cauliflower, a VVC maintenance worker supervising the removal, “Everyone was just silent. No one even had their phones up anymore—it felt... respectful? Or scared. Probably scared.”

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Lake creature (continued)

By mid-morning, the area was reopened and normal campus activity resumed, though speculation spread rapidly across social media.

“Group chats were going wild,” said Seth Carter, a communications student. “Some people said it was a turtle that mutated. Someone else said it was a science experiment that escaped. My favorite theory is that it’s been there longer than the college.”

When asked for details, officials declined to identify the creature or comment on its origin, stating only that the situation had been “handled appropriately” and that there was no ongoing risk to students or staff.

The lake appears calm once again—but many students say they’ll be looking at it a little differently and more vigilant just in case there may be more of the mystery species in the water.

“I used to sit there to relax between classes,” Carter said. “Now I feel like the lake is sitting there... watching me.”

Associated Student Body president Hailey Reeces says that it’s definitely created a buzz on campus, “I’ve actually grew on campus for 20 years because my mom works here and she’s always speculated that there was something in the lake that



didn’t belong, but we had no proof, until now!”

Government officials are expected to make their way to the campus later this week to conduct numerous tests and studies of the lake to determine if VVC has discovered a previously unknown water animal.

Since the incident, students have reported lingering rumors and stares—whenever they pass the lake. Some swear the water level looks lower than before. Others insist they’ve seen ripples with no wind, long after the area reopened.

Campus officials have not released additional information, and no further activity has been observed at the

lake. Maintenance & Operations staff declined to comment, and campus police confirmed only that the situation was “resolved.”

Still, for many Rams, the lake no longer feels like just another scenic shortcut between classes.

As the semester continues and the lake returns to its usual calm, one question lingers among students passing by:

What else has been swimming just beneath the surface—and how long has it been there?

Gotcha!! Happy April Fools! The entire scene was staged! But we hope this brought some fun to your day. Go Rams!



Tornado Touches Down on Lower Campus, Destroys VVC Football Offices



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Students arriving on Victor Valley College's lower campus were met with an unexpected and surreal sight after an F3 tornado reportedly touched down near the football facilities, ripping through the VVC Football athletic offices and leaving behind twisted debris, exposed walls, and one remarkably untouched office chair.

According to eyewitnesses, the tornado appeared suddenly, cutting a narrow but destructive path through the area before dissipating almost as quickly as it arrived.

"One second everything looked normal, and the next the building was just... open," said Morgan Simpson, a first-year student who was walking to class nearby. "Papers were everywhere, insulation was hanging out, and there was just this chair sitting there like it was waiting for someone to come back."

Campus Police and Facilities staff responded

immediately, closing off the affected area as Maintenance & Operations crews assessed the damage. The football offices—normally home to game plans, schedules, and strategy meetings—were left in complete and utter destruction with large sections of the roof and exterior walls torn away.

Despite the heavy damage, one image quickly captured the attention of students and staff alike: a lonely office chair, still upright inside the damaged structure, surrounded by debris but seemingly untouched.

"That chair is the craziest part," said Amerie Franklin, ASB Athletics Senator, who stopped to take photos. "Everything else looks like it went through a blender, but the chair is just there. It feels symbolic. Or cursed. I'm not sure which."

Maintenance & Operations crews were seen

navigating the wreckage, carefully removing debris and securing unstable sections of the structure. Campus Police maintained a perimeter while the area was inspected.

"It's wild how precise the damage looks," said Harmony Wilson, VVC Football's first ever female kicker. "Like the tornado had beef specifically with the football offices and then just moved on."

No injuries were reported, and officials emphasized that there was no ongoing threat to campus safety. Classes and activities elsewhere on campus continued as scheduled.

As cleanup efforts continued, speculation spread rapidly across campus and social media. Some students questioned how an F3 tornado found its way to the High Desert. Others wondered aloud whether the chair had been bolted down—or chosen.

"I feel like that chair saw everything," Wilson added. "And it's not telling."

By the end of the day, the area remained closed as crews worked to stabilize the site. The future of the football offices remains unclear, but one thing is certain: the image of a lone chair standing firm amid the wreckage has already earned a place in VVC lore.

VVC officials anticipate that the site that once housed the offices for football will eventually turn into a parking lot since the college is trying to expand its parking for more students and community members.

HAHA!! Happy April Fools! Yes, the offices have been demolished but not because of an F3 tornado. And yes, more parking coming soon to lower campus! Go Rams!



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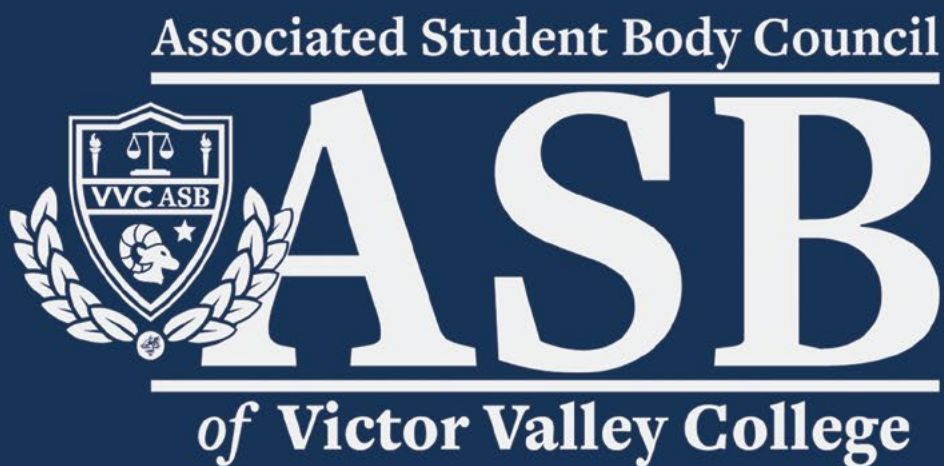
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